IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AUSTIN DIVISION

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD, a Missouri nonprofit corporation,

Plaintiff,

v.

DONALD CHRISTIAN, CHRISTOPHER BANNWOLF, CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY TEXAS, INC., & JOHN DOES 1-12,

Defendants.

No. 1:23-cv-1042-DAE

NOTICE OF APPEAL

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiff The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, a Missouri nonprofit corporation, hereby appeals to the United States Court of Appeal for the Fifth Circuit from this Court's February 3, 2025 Order, ECF No. 61, adopting the Report and Recommendation of the Magistrate Judge and all earlier and interlocutory orders and rulings, including the November 20, 2024 Report and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge, ECF No. 52.

Respectfully submitted this 21st day of February, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On February 21, 2025, I electronically submitted the foregoing **NOTICE OF APPEAL** to the clerk of the court for the U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas, using the electronic case filing system of the Court. I hereby certify that I have served counsel of record for all parties through the Court's ECF system.

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